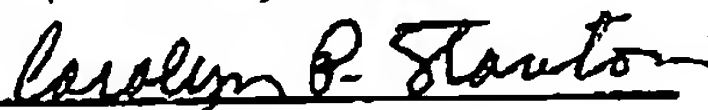


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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

SIR:

This Amendment is respectfully submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006. The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments after final rejection because the claim

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